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# the AMAZING SPIDER-MAN

CATCHING THE BLACK FOX WAS THE EASY PART, SPIDEY...

...THIS OTHER GUY WANTS YOU BOTH DEAD!

(YEP, IT'S WHO YOU THINK IT IS.)



ERIC LARSEN

BITTEN BY A RADIOACTIVE SPIDER, STUDENT PETER PARKER GAINED THE PROPORTIONATE STRENGTH AND AGILITY OF AN ARACHNID! ARMED WITH HIS WONDROUS WEB-SHOOTERS, THE RELUCTANT SUPER HERO STRUGGLES WITH SINISTER SUPER-VILLAINS, MAKING ENDS MEET, AND MAINTAINING SOME SEMBLANCE OF A NORMAL LIFE!

Stan Lee  
PRESENTS: THE AMAZING SPIDER-MAN®

# MAN OF STEAL!

THIS IS THE BLACK FOX, ONE OF EUROPE'S MOST NOTORIOUS JEWEL THIEVES. BUT TONIGHT HE'S AFTER A PRIZE MOST NEW YORKERS WOULD CONSIDER FAR MORE PRECIOUS:

AN APARTMENT!



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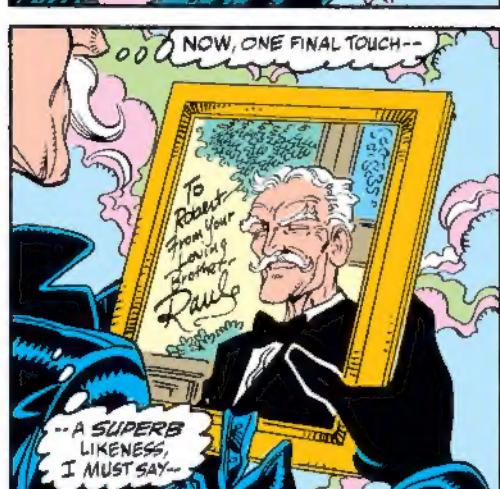
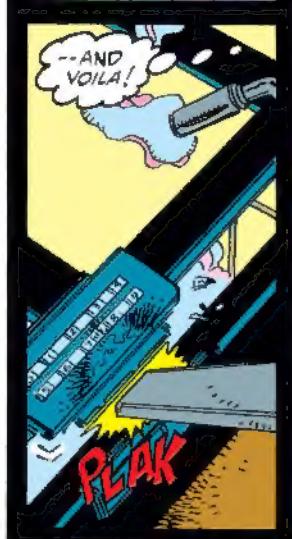
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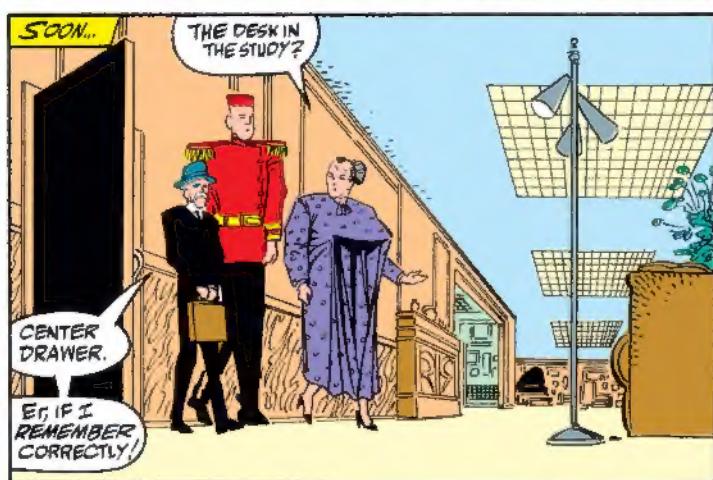
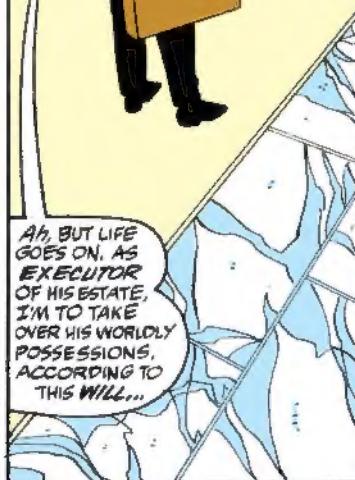
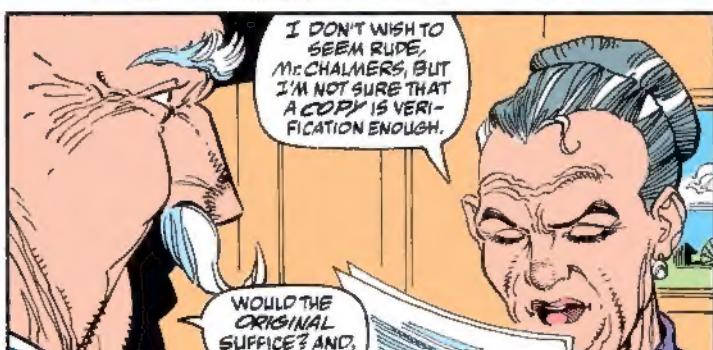
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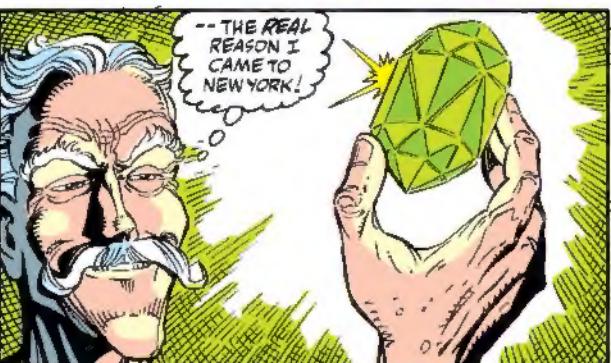
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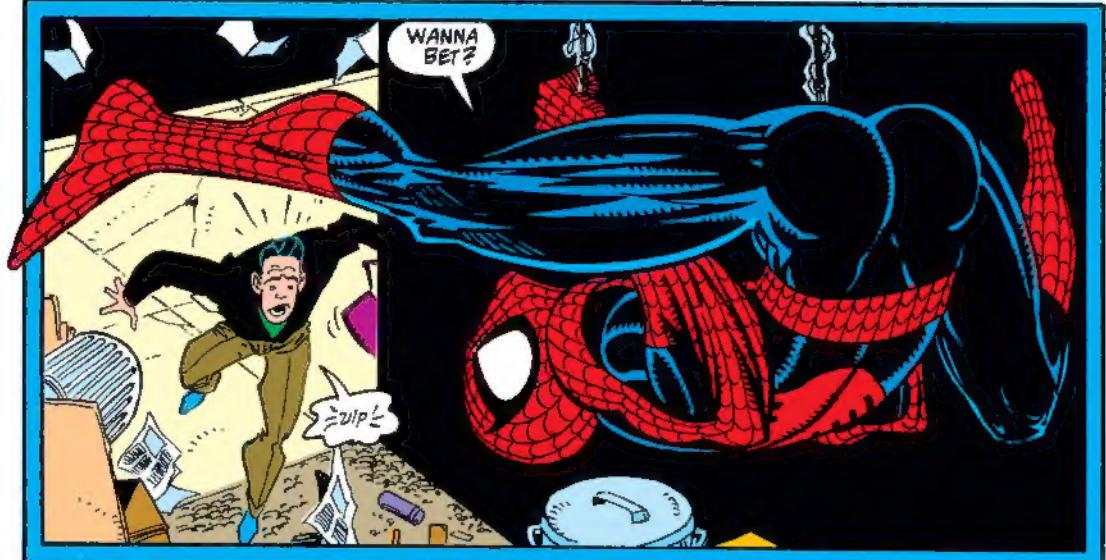
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NUTS. HAPPENED SO FAST, I DIDN'T  
GET A CHANCE TO SET UP MY  
AUTOMATIC CAMERA!

LEAST I'VE GOT A PHOTO ASSIGNMENT  
FOR THE DAILY BUGLE LINED UP.

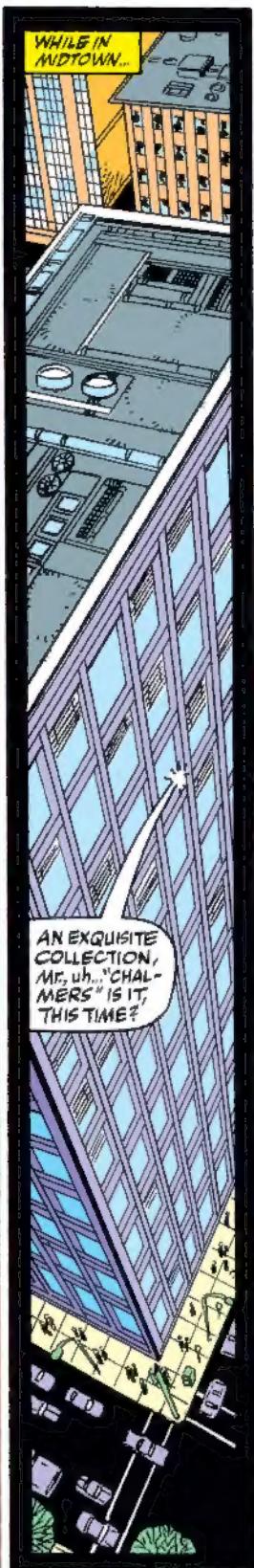


BUT  
THRILLS  
DON'T  
PAY THE  
BILLS!

BUT  
BEFORE  
THE PHOTO  
SHOOT,  
A QUICK  
STOP...









AH, BUT RAYMOND TRASK KNOWS WHAT HE HAS! AMONG OTHER THINGS: THE SPRAWLING HIGHRISE LIVING/SHOPPING COMPLEX CALLED TRASK CENTER. WHERE, THE NEXT DAY...

REST EASY, FOLKS...

THE TRASK DIAMOND WILL BE MAKING ITS DEBUT SHORTLY!

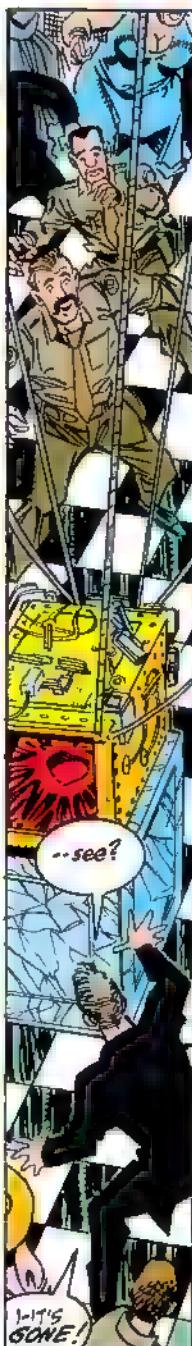
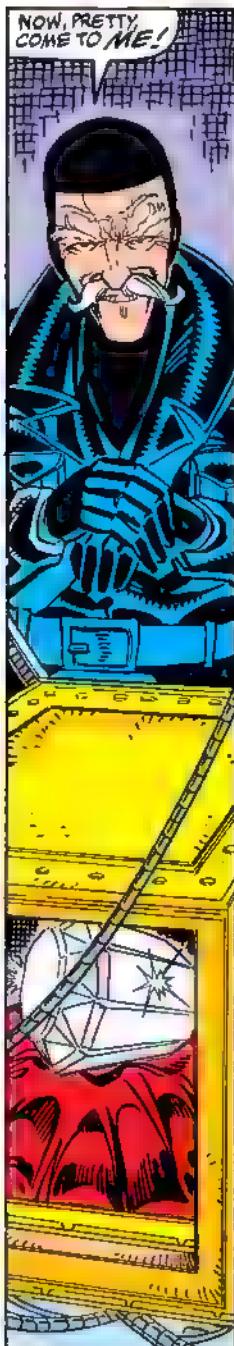
WHAT EGO! I HAVEN'T SEEN THE LIKE IN ALL MY YEARS AS FINANCIAL REPORTER FOR THE BUGLE!

I KNOW, MIM. HE BUYS THE FAMOUS "STAR OF ZAIRE," AND THEN RENAMES IT AFTER HIMSELF!

WORSE, HE'S GOING TO LOWER IT FROM THE "HEAVENS"; THEN LEAVE IT ON VIEW AS A PUBLICITY GIMMICK!

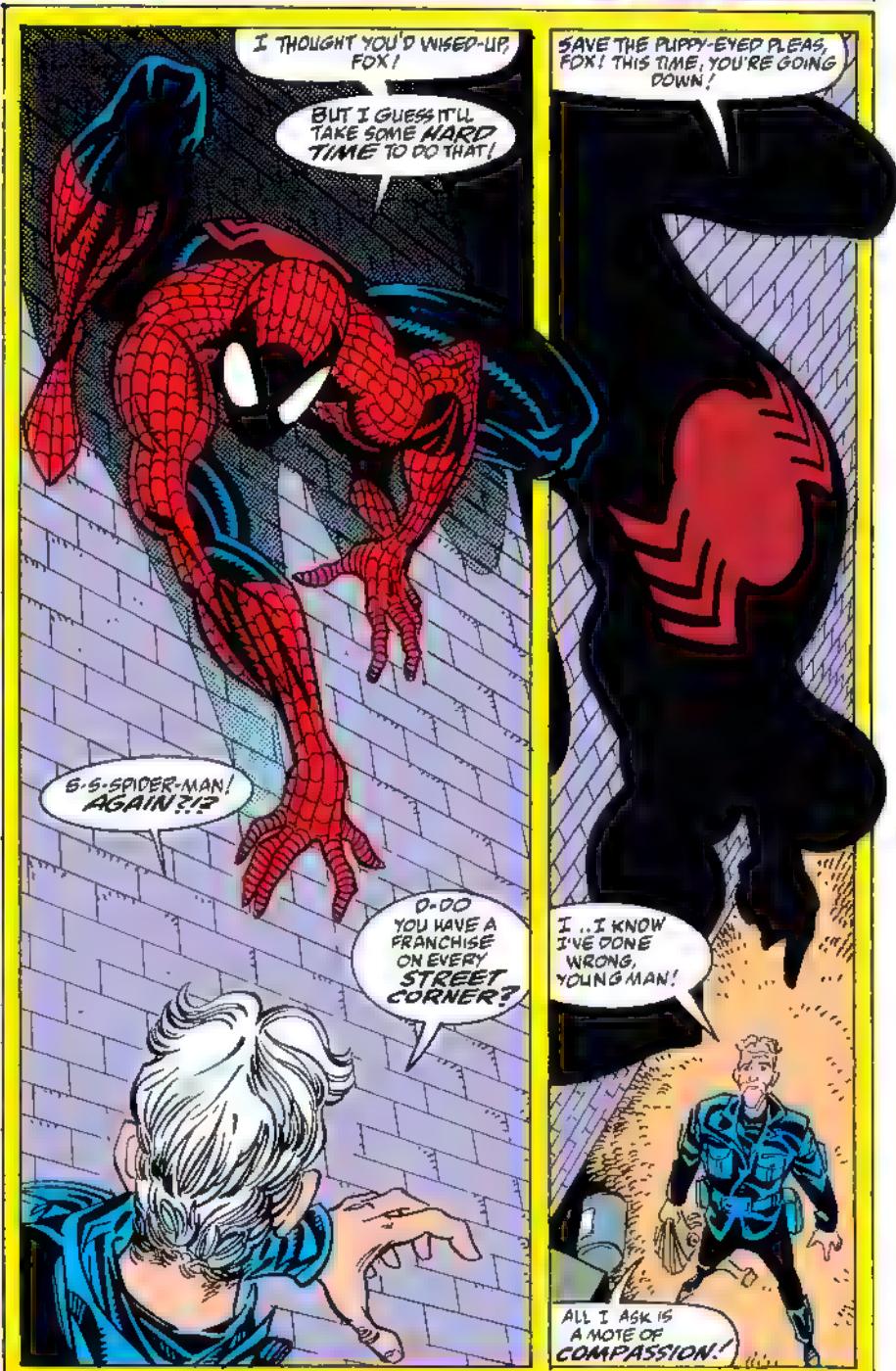
IN A STATE-OF-THE-ART THEFT-PROOF DISPLAY CASE, NO LESS!







BUT TO QUOTE A  
CERTAIN WALL-  
CRAWLER:  
"WANNA BET"?



THIS WAS TO BE MY FINAL EFFORT--AND IT WILL BE, NO MATTER THE OUTCOME!

I'LL RETURN THE DIAMOND, GLADLY!

ALL RIGHT!

GIVE ME THE JEWEL.

A BLITHERING IDIOT! WHY DO I KEEP LETTING THIS GUY GO?

THERE HAS TO BE A REASON!  
BUT UNTIL I FIGURE IT OUT--

--HE'S TAKING A SPIDER-TRACER WITH HIM!

SOON... I DON'T KNOW HOW  
TO THANK YOU FOR  
RETURNING THE TRASK DIAMOND,  
SPIDER-MAN!

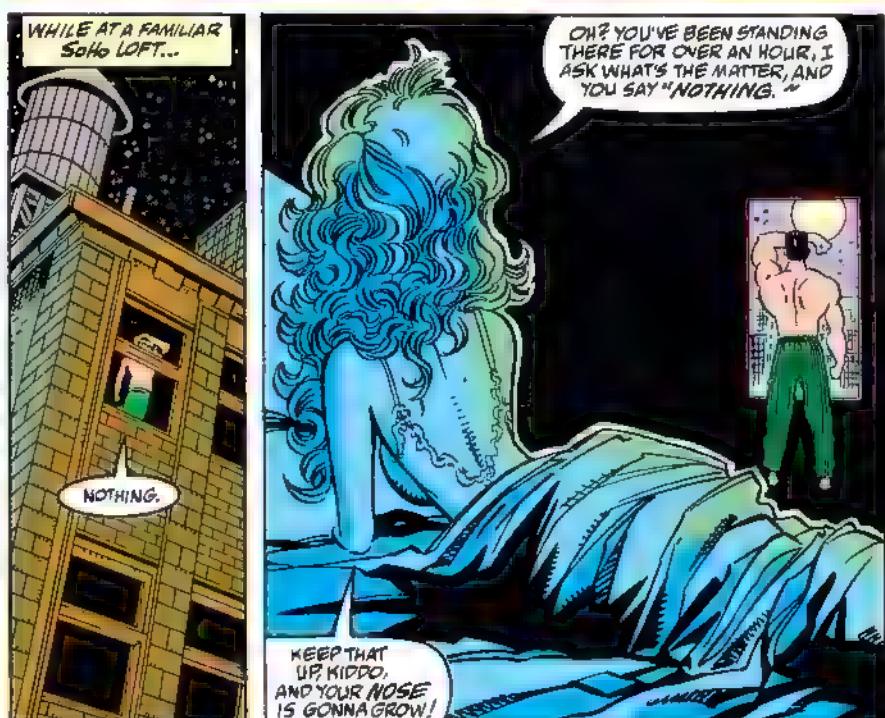
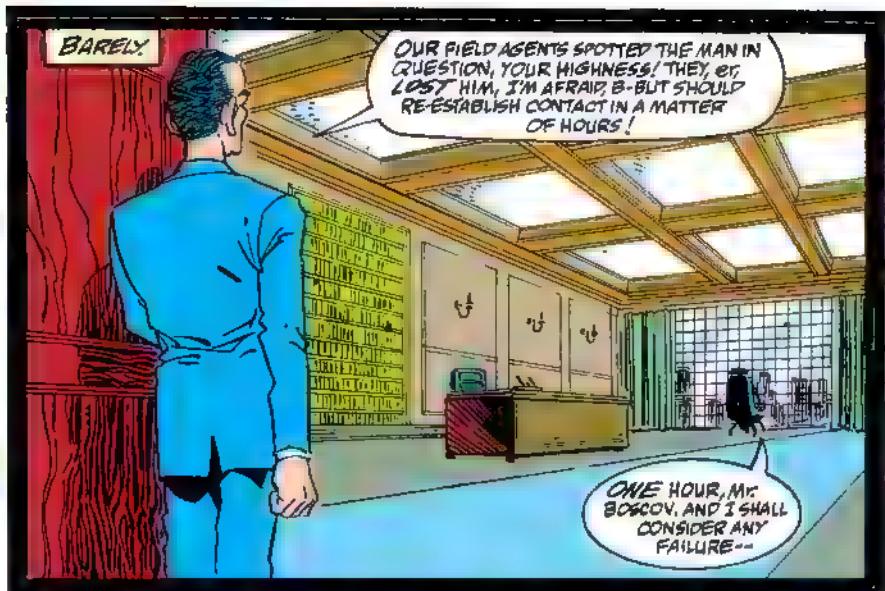
--A WORTHLESS  
PIECE OF GLASS!

...sighs  
THERE ARE  
TIMES I'M  
GLAD I WEAR  
A MASK...!

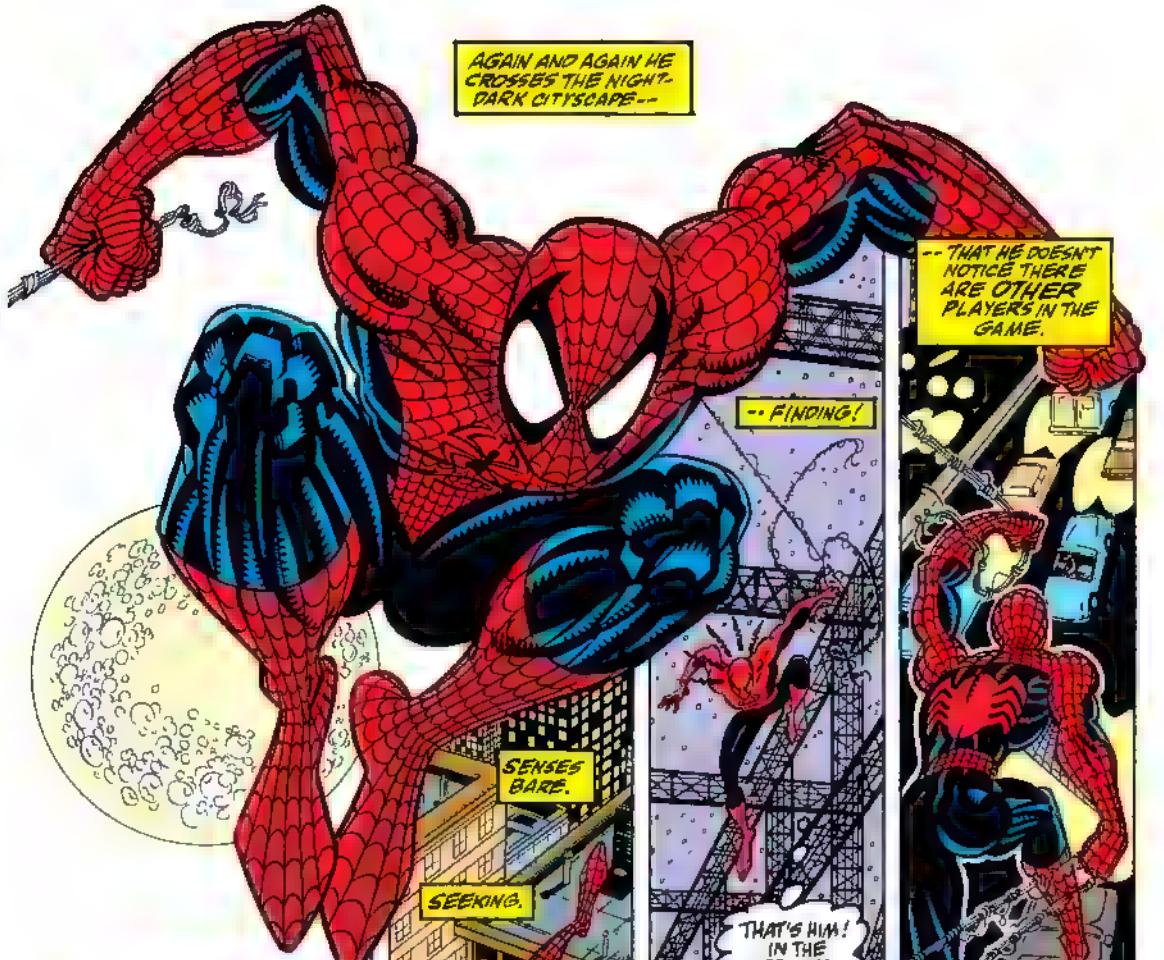
I MERELY ASK  
MY FUTURE  
IN RETURN! I'M OLD!  
CAGED IN A CELL,  
I'D WITHER AWAY!  
DIE SLOWLY OF  
DISEASE, DESICCATION!  
A SAD SHELL  
OF WHAT I ONCE--

SIR, YOU  
ARE A SAINT!  
A PARAGON OF  
KINDNESS!

DON'T BOTHER,  
MR. TRASK.  
JUST THANK  
HIM FOR  
RETURNING--







AGAIN AND AGAIN HE  
CROSSES THE NIGHT--  
DARK CITYSCAPE--

-- THAT HE DOESN'T  
NOTICE THERE  
ARE OTHER  
PLAYERS IN THE  
GAME.

-- FINDING!

SENSES  
BARE.

SEEKING.

THAT'S HIM!  
IN THE  
SPORTS CAR!

STOLEN.  
NO DOUBT!

--FOCUSING FULL  
CONCENTRATION  
ON DETECTING THE  
FAINTEST OF SIGNALS  
FROM HIS SPIDER  
TRACER.

AND AT  
LONG LAST.

SO DELIGHTED WITH  
SUCCESS IS HE--

A DISCREETLY FOLLOWING  
LIMOUSINE, WITH  
DIPLOMATIC TAGS!

AND EVENTUALLY, AT A DESERTED BANKRUPT RESORT ON THE NORTH SHORE OF LONG ISLAND...

RETIREMENT IS BUT A RANSOM AWAY...

CLOSED  
UNTIL  
FURTHER  
NOTICE

I READ OF  
YOUR SUCCESS IN  
THE NEWSPAPERS,  
MR. FOX.

MY EMPLOYER  
WAS WISE IN COMMISSIONING YOU TO OBTAIN  
THE DIAMOND.

AH!  
HIROTO  
HAS ALREADY  
ARRIVED!

YOU HAVE THE CASH, MR. HIROTO?  
USED, UNMARKED BILLS?

EVERYTHING IS  
IN ORDER, MR. FOX.  
AFTER ALL--

--WE ARE BOTH  
BUSINESSMEN,  
ARE WE NOT?

I DON'T KNOW ABOUT  
YOU, HIROTO-SAN...

-- BUT I WOULDN'T  
BUY A USED CAR  
FROM THAT GUY!

NOPE,  
GUESS NOT!  
SOUNDS PRETTY  
HOLLOW  
TO ME!

A NIGHTMARE!

I-IT MUST  
BE!

TRYING TO  
SHOOT  
SPIDER-  
MAN?

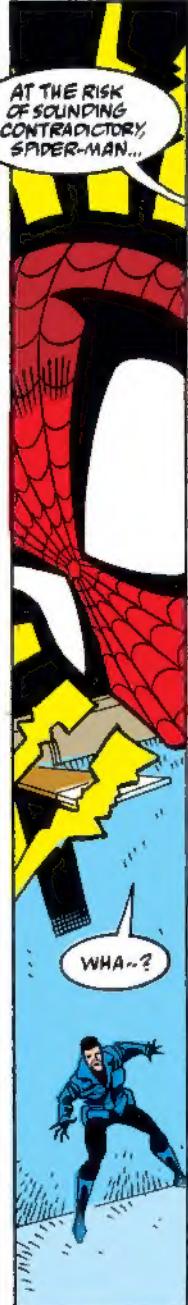
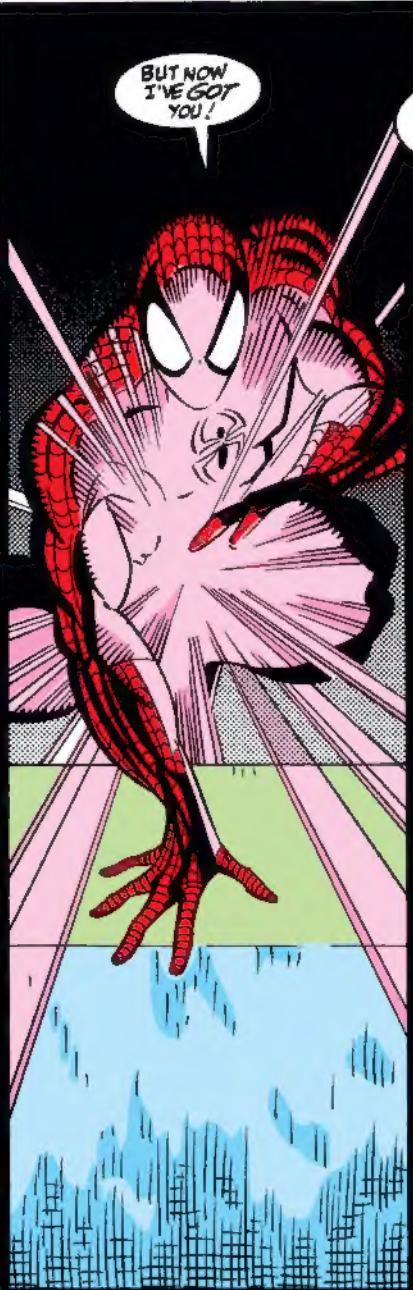
BLAM  
BLAM

YOU MUST  
HAVE ROCKS  
IN YOUR  
HEADS!

TIMP

KONG





...NOW, I'VE  
GOT HIM!

NEXT ISSUE: HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS, VICTOR VON DOOM, MONARCH OF LATVERIA, INVITES YOU TO A SPECTACULAR, GIANT-SIZED 350TH ISSUE! (AND THAT'S AN INVITATION YOU DON'T WANNA REFUSE!)